

NORTHVILLE

NSC

SWIM CLUB

Swim Team Parent Information
2026



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Parent Meeting/New Swimmer Evaluations

This year we will have new swimmer evaluations and SUIT TRY ONS on Saturday, June 6 at 9:30-10:15 am. Following evaluations we will have an informational parent meeting at 11:00am.

Practice Schedule

First day of practice will be Monday June 15, 2026.

Monday - Friday

Advanced: 7:15-8:30 AM - *Swimmer who swam competitively outside summer swim league (i.e.High school, middle school or club swimming)*

Intermediate: 8:30-9:30 AM - *Swimmers who can swim all four strokes legally and complete 200 meters without stopping.*

Beginner: 9:30-10:00 AM - *Swimmers who can swim one length of the pool and need help learning the strokes.iti*

Time Trials: The coaches will be having mock time trials on the morning of Tuesday, June 16. 13-15 and Open at the earliest practice, 11-12 at the middle practice, and 9-10 and 8U at the youngest practice. We are looking for parents to help time and work with our Dolphin Timing System (talk to Katy or check on the website)

Meet Schedule

2026 Swim Meet Schedule

Dual meets are on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Meets will be for all age groups. Swimmers MUST arrive no later than 5pm for check in. Meets start at 6pm and generally finish by 9pm.

REMINDER- all swimmers MUST swim in at least 2 dual meets in order to be eligible for League Meet!

2026 MEET SCHEDULE:

Thursday, June 18 - Home vs Fairway Farms ****PICTURE DAY****

Tuesday, June 23 - Home vs Burton Hollow

Thursday, June 25 - @ Colony

Tuesday, June 30 - @ Newburgh

Thursday, July 2 - NO MEETS

Tuesday, July 7 - BYE

Thursday, July 9 - Home vs Newburgh

Tuesday, July 14 - @ Fairway Farms

Thursday, July 16 - Home vs Colony

Tuesday, July 21 - @ Burton Hollow

Thursday, July 23 - BYE

Saturday, July 25 AND Sunday July 26 - League Meet @ NSC

Team Banquet Sunday night at Northville Swim Club following the League Meet (tickets on Team Unify soon)

Swim Meet Participation - Swimmer

It takes A LOT of swimmers to swim a swim meet. If you are on the team, you are expected to be there to swim.

Meet Commitment

You have until 8:00AM the day before a meet to commit or decline to swim in a meet. You can commit or decline using the [OnDeck app](#) on your phone or through the [SportsEngine portal](#). After 8:00AM the day BEFORE a meet, swimmer meet commitments will no longer be available so that the coaches can work on the line up. If an emergency arises after this time, email Coach Maura or Katy Karvola immediately. If you fail to commit or decline, it could mean the loss of races for your child in the next swim meet. No-shows or surprise swimmers are a HUGE challenge at meet time!

Swimmer Interest Form

Please fill out the [Swimmer Interest Google Form](#), informing the coaches of what events each swimmer prefers to swim this summer. This will help the coaches make decisions about who is swimming what in each meet. The coaches will do their best to put swimmers in events that they want to participate in throughout the season, HOWEVER, it's important to swim all kinds of events and the Coaches place swimmers in events for the benefit of the team as a whole.

Warm-Ups and Check-in

Warm-ups begin at 5:00 p.m. **Please have your swimmers to the pool by 4:45 PM** and check in at the meet marshaling table. Any swimmer not checked-in prior to 5:30 will be scratched from the meet. Exceptions can be made if coaches are notified prior to 5:00.

What to bring to meets?

Team suit, shirt, and cap, towels/blankets/chairs, suntan lotion, bug spray, healthy snacks and water. Meets will last about 2.5-3 hours, so kids are encouraged to be prepared with extra towels, card games, books, or other items that keep them in the team area and entertained. There may or may not be concessions at away meets, so plan accordingly.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

We rely heavily on a group of volunteers to make sure that each meet runs smoothly and efficiently. If you have a swimmer on the team, **YOUR FAMILY IS REQUIRED** to provide one volunteer for at least one home meet and one away meet (4 pts total). Meets cannot start on time without enough volunteers. Let's make sure we do all that we can to provide a generous amount of support to our club and our swimmers. **Volunteers can sign up for jobs within the Swim Portal.**

Lane Timer: Home/Away Meets. Time and record each swimmer in your assigned lane. You will receive a small clipboard, pencil, and a Dolphin timer. This is one of the best seats in the house!

Marshaler: EARLY ARRIVAL JOB! Be available before the meet for pre-meet check in of the swimmers (4:45). Home and away meets. You will distribute entry cards to the swimmers, help organize the swimmers - both individual and relays, making sure the kids make their events. We will also rely on you to let the coaches know who has not checked in.

8 & Under Marshaler: Home/Away meets. This group needs lots of help and direction getting lined up. You collect & distribute all the 8 & under cards (this group does not get their own). You will collect all of the 8 & under kids near the marshaling area and line them up by lane and heat. Once they are all lined up, you walk each lane to their block reminding them to stay in order.

10 & Under Runner/Helper: Home and away meets. Help 10 & under swimmers organize

relays, and ensure timers have cards at shallow end for all 10&U 25 meter races

Place Judges: Home and away meets. Call race finishes for every heat. You will typically sit/stand by the starter and write down who comes in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th.

Starter/Announcer: Home meets only. You will be responsible for announcing the event number (#1), race type (Open 200 Mixed Medley Relay), and which heat is swimming out of the total number of heats (Heat 1 of 2). We will have an automatic starter at the meet with a microphone and button to push to start the race. (Swimmers, on the blocks/in the water, take your mark, 'beep') You will keep the meet running at a good pace.

Ribbon Writer: Home meets only. Put stickers with names and times on ribbons for each race (Colony, Burton Hollow). Write out names/times for meets where we aren't given swimmer information from the opposing team (Fairway Farms, Newburgh).

Scorekeeper: Home/Away meets. Score meet based on league rules and race finishes. You will receive a score sheet to follow. (addition/subtraction skills needed)

Computer Timing System Operator: Home meets only. Seed and Run the meet on the computer using our Dolphin Timing System. (*Pre-training required to successfully run the meet smoothly and on-time. Arrive by 5pm to set-up and seed the meet.*)

Floater: Home & away meet. Fill in for anyone running late or sick, etc. At home meets, helps distribute water to volunteers.

Parking Lot Attendant. EARLY ARRIVAL JOB! Direct traffic in the lot for one-way drop-offs and assist anyone needing a handicap space.

EACH HOME MEET REQUIRES: (4) timers, (4) marshals, (4) 8 & under marshalls, (1) 10 & U helper/runner, (1) finish judge, (1) starter, (4-6) ribbon writers, (2) scorekeepers, (2) computer timing system operators, (1) floater

EACH AWAY MEET REQUIRES: (4) timers, (4) marshals, (4) 8 & under marshalls, (1) 10 & U helper/runner, (1) finish judge, (1) scorekeeper, (1) floater

End of the year banquet

Following the League Meet we will have the end of the year awards banquet. Dress up, get fancy, and plan for an evening of dinner, awards, games and music! Even if you don't swim in the meet, plan on attending this fun event. Ticket sales are through the Swim Portal and will be on sale through mid-July.

Team pictures

Team pictures will be taken before our first home meet on **Thursday, June 18 at 3:00pm**. Order envelopes will be in your child's team folder or passed out at practice. You may also order pictures online at: www.vsnmichigan.com/preorder *Please print receipt to give to photographer.

Fire Up Party/Pancake Breakfast

We will have a morning spirit party that will take place after your swimmers' normal practice time on the morning before League Meet, **Friday July 24th**. Pancakes, sausages and orange juice will be served. The swimmers will make posters for the League Meet at this event.

Family/swimmer Mailboxes

Each family will have a mailbox folder in the front of the clubhouse. They are located across from the check in desk. Please check this box for your meet ribbons and other important information.

This year's team suit: available for \$50-\$89 through

<https://differentstrokesswimshop.com/collections/northville-swim-club> or AT DIFFERENT STROKES in Livonia (no change from last year's suit). We will have suit try-ons available at the Parent Mtg on 6/6 at the pool at 9:30. Please order suits EARLY so your swimmer(s) have them for the first meet of the season. (You can always visit the store anytime for try-ons)

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SISL ORDER OF EVENTS FOR DUAL MEET

1	9-10 100 meter Medley Relay	27	Open Girls 50 meter Backstroke
2	11-12 200 meter Medley Relay	28	Open Boys 50 meter Backstroke
3	13-15 200 meter Medley Relay	29	8 & Under 100 meter Freestyle relay
4	open 200 meter Medley Relay	30	11-12 Girls 100 meter Individual Medley
5	8 & Under Girls 25 meter Freestyle	31	11-12 Boys 100 meter Individual Medley
6	8 & Under Boys 25 meter Freestyle	32	13-15 Girls 100 meter Individual Medley
7	9-10 Girls 25 meter Freestyle	33	13-15 Boys 100 meter Individual Medley
8	9-10 Boys 25 meter Freestyle	34	Open Girls 100 meter Individual Medley
9	8 & Under Girls 50 meter Freestyle	35	Open Boys 100 meter Individual Medley
10	8 & Under Boys 50 meter Freestyle	36	9-10 Girls 25 meter Breaststroke
11	9-10 Girls 50 meter Freestyle	37	9-10 Boys 25 meter Breaststroke
12	9-10 Boys 50 meter Freestyle	38	11-12 Girls 50 meter Breaststroke
13	11-12 Girls 50 meter Freestyle	39	11-12 Boys 50 meter Breaststroke
14	11-12 Boys 50 meter Freestyle	40	13-15 Girls 50 meter Breaststroke
15	13-15 Girls 50 meter Freestyle	41	13-15 Boys 50 meter Breaststroke
16	13-15 Boys 50 meter Freestyle	42	9-10 Girls 25 meter Butterfly
17	Open Girls 50 meter Freestyle	43	9-10 Boys 25 meter Butterfly
18	Open Boys 50 meter Freestyle	44	11-12 Girls 50 meter Butterfly
19	8 & Under Girls 25 meter Backstroke	45	11-12 Boys 50 meter Butterfly
20	8 & Under Boys 25 meter Backstroke	46	13-15 Girls 50 meter Butterfly
21	9-10 Girls 25 meter Backstroke	47	13-15 Boys 50 meter Butterfly
22	9-10 Boys 25 meter Backstroke	48	9-10 100 meter Freestyle Relay
23	11-12 Girls 50 meter Backstroke	49	11-12 200 meter Freestyle Relay
24	11-12 Boys 50 meter Backstroke	50	13-15 200 meter Freestyle Relay
25	13-15 Girls 50 meter Backstroke	51	Open 200 meter Freestyle Relay
26	13-15 Boys 50 meter Backstroke		